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**BOARD OF STATE CHARITIES
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INTRODUCTION

The Board of State Charities, created in 1859, supervised state-supported industrial schools, prison, and mental hospitals. It was empowered to investigate and examine institutions and to appoint a secretary to make reports. Meeting only quarterly, the Board did not govern the administration of institutions.

Records for the Board are extremely scanty, including only minutes from 1896 and reports for 1902. Investigative statements provide the only insight into the institutional problems of the day

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